REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	14 January 2002
Name of applicant/court:	Hamilton Police
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Untitled aka 5 "Roseanne 1"
Other Known Titles:	5 "Roseanne 1"
Director:	Not Stated
Producer:	Not Stated
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author:	Not Applicable
Format:	Video Recording VHS/PAL
Country of Origin:	New Zealand
Language:	English

Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	Untitled aka 5 "Roseanne 1"	Running time:	79.46
Trailers:	Nil	Running time:	
		Total Running time:	79.46

Excision/Alteration: Excisions Recommended.

Reason(s) for Excision:

One excision is required to remove material that results in the publication tending to promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.

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Classification Decision:

The part or parts of the film specified for excision have not been excised from the publication. Therefore, the film is classified as **Objectionable.**

If the part or parts of the film specified are excised from the film the publication is classified as **Unrestricted.**

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The untitled video recording known as *5 "Roseanne 1"* is classified as: Objectionable.

The video recording tends to promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. Of the almost 80 minutes that the video recording runs for, over one hour consists of innocuous amateur home video footage. However, footage contained in the beginning 18 minutes, which appears to have been taped over the top of the innocuous material, depicts a young woman in a sexualised manner. The girl looks to be aged in her mid-teens, and wears what appears to be a school uniform. The interaction between the subject and the cameraman has the effect of reinforcing the idea that young girls are legitimate sexual partners and objects of men's fantasy.

Under s32 of the Films, Videos & Publications Classifications Act 1993 (FVPC Act) the Classification Office is required to consider the effect of excisions on the classification of this publication. If an excision were made to the beginning of the video recording, leaving only the innocuous home video footage, the publication would receive an unrestricted classification. The owner of the video recording was notified of their right to agree to, or refuse the proposed excision. No response was received within the specified timeframe, so the Classification Office proceeded with the classification of the publication in accordance with s23 of the FVPC Act.

A classification of objectionable places a restriction on the freedom of expression outlined in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 (NZBR Act). The result of the publication falling within the criteria of s3(2) of the FVPC Act is prescribed by law, in accord with Parliament's intention that publications to which s3(2) criteria apply should be banned so as to prevent injury to the public good.

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